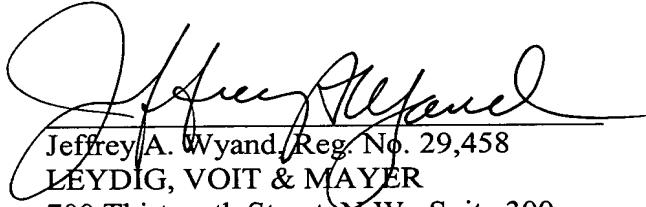


*REMARKS/ARGUMENTS*

In response to the Office Action mailed April 20, 2005, Applicants elect claims 3-12 for prosecution.

Prompt and favorable examination of claims 3-12 is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



Jeffrey A. Wyand, Reg. No. 29,458

LEYDIG, VOIT & MAYER

700 Thirteenth Street, N.W., Suite 300

Washington, DC 20005-3960

(202) 737-6770 (telephone)

(202) 737-6776 (facsimile)

Date:

May 11, 2005

JAW/tps

Amendment or ROA - Regular (Revised 4-18-05)